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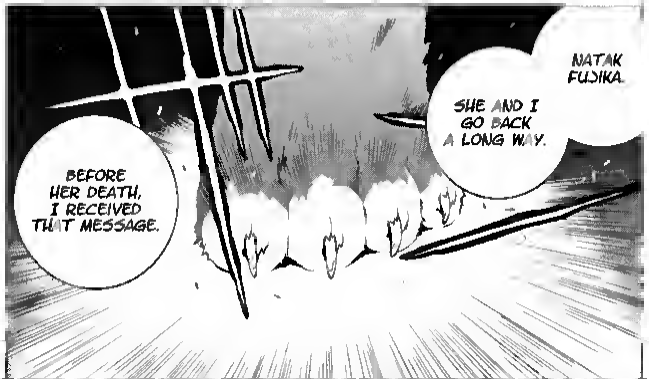
HMPH.
WHAT A CLEVER WAY TO SAY IT.
THE SPIRIT OF THE BEAST WITHIN ME?

WHO TOLD YOU THAT?
BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY...


BEFORE HER DEATH, I RECEIVED THAT MESSAGE.
SHE AND I GO BACK A LONG WAY.
NATAK FUJIKA.

SHE FOUND ANOTHER THAT I WAS SEARCHING FOR
THAT IS YOU, LEROY SCHWARTZER!

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HERMAN CARTIEL...
SUCH AN UNPLEASANT BEING
BEING A DARK ONE, YET WISHING TO HAVE CONNECTIONS WITH THE HUMAN WORLD

I DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF BUSINESS HE HAS,
BUT TO CANCEL OUR MEETING...
BUT ANYWAYS...
WHAT SHALL I REPORT TO ASHGUN?

Ahahaha...
?
THIS IS INTERESTING
HAIR PULLING
GUI
CARTIEL... THANKS TO HIS SELFISHNESS,
I FOUND SOMETHING VERY INTERESTING

I NEVER WOULD'VE IMAGINED IT...
IT'S GOOD TO LIVE LONG...
!?
.....

DON'T CALL ME YOUR FRIEND.
WE ARE OBVIOUSLY ENEMIES
FRIEND!?
ARE YOU TELLING ME THAT THE INFORMATION I HAVE IS WRONG?
THEN HOW DO YOU EXPLAIN IT?
JUST LIKE IN THE STORY OF RAYCAN SLOPE...
YOU HAVE WILLINGLY STOPPED TURNING INTO A BEAST...

YOU AREN'T DENYING IT.
UMPH.
UNREAL RECOVERY FAR SURPASSING HUMANLY BODY FUNCTIONS, REFLEXES AND FIGHTING SKILLS
RAYCAN SLOPE...
TURNING INTO A BEAST.
AND SO...

ACCORDING TO FUJIKA, UNTIL YOU SUSTAIN LIFE-THREATENING DAMAGE.
YOU WON'T TURN INTO A BEAST.
BUT IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT.
WHAT AN INTERESTING THEORY
.....
YOU'RE ONE TO TALK.
FROM MY PERSPECTIVE ...
YOU'RE MORE INTERESTING BECAUSE AS A DARK ONE YOU ARE HEAD OF AN ASSASSIN GUILD MAINTAINING CONNECTIONS WITH

I HAVE NO MEMORY OF MY CHILDHOOD.
WHEN I HAD COME TO A REALIZATION OF MYSELF...
I EXISTED IN THIS BODY
THE HUMANS CALLED ME A DARK ONE.
I, TOO, HAD THOUGHT THAT FOR A WHILE
BUT THOSE THOUGHTS OF MINE BEGAN TO CHANGE A BIT
!?

AM I REALLY A
DARK ONE?
HERMAN CARTIEL!
.....
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY?
TO BE BLUNT, WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR!?

REALLY, WHAT AM I?
FOR WHAT REASON DO I EXIST?
WHERE AM I SUPPOSED TO GO?
WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO?
HAVEN'T YOU THOUGHT ABOUT THAT BEFORE?
THAT IS ONE OF THE REASONS I WANTED TO MEET YOU

CAN YOU ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS?
LEROY SCHWARTZER?

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"STRONG MOVEMENT"
I GUESS THIS IS THE PLACE

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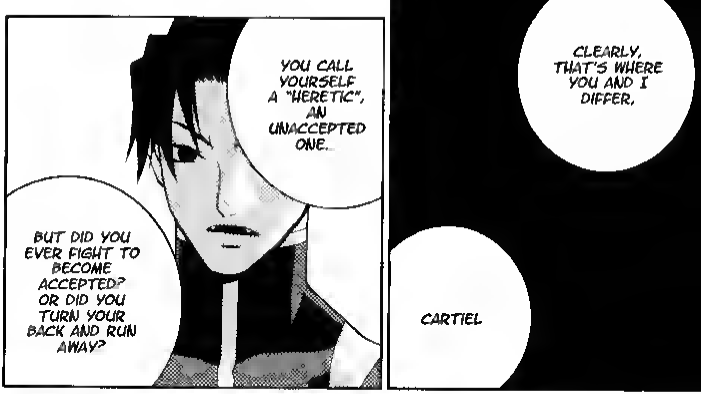
CHAPTER 8 HERETIC

"WHAT AM I?"
I'VE CERTAINLY THOUGHT ABOUT IT
"EXTRA-ORDINARY POWER",
"FREAKISH RECOVERY",
AND...
AT TIMES BURNING UP WITH SUCH INTENSITY THAT I CAN'T CONTROL IT...
A "LUST FOR BATTLE"...

I'VE ALWAYS BEEN FORCED TO FACE HOW MY FREAKISH EXISTANCE...
IS SO DIFFERENT FROM THAT OF OTHER PEOPLE'S
BEING SO DIFFERENT,
BEING INCOMPATIBLE WITH EVERYONE...
THE ISOLATION, THE ALIENATION...
IT WAS UNBEARABLE.
HAVING NO RELATIVES...
NOT KNOWING MY OWN ROOTS...
I HAD TO GIVE UP ALL HOPE.
FOR MYSELF, FOR BEING UNABLE TO FIT IN WITH MY SURROUNDINGS...
AND FOR THE SOCIETY THAT WOULDN'T ACCEPT ME.

WE ARE INDEED VERY MUCH ALIKE, SCHWARTZER
YOU KNOW THE ISOLATION OF A HERETIC AS DO I...
SO TELL ME WHY!
WHY IS IT THAT YOU SHED BLOOD FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE HUMANS AND THE WORLD THAT WILL NOT ACCEPT YOU!?
WHY DO YOU ATTEMPT TO USE YOUR POWER TO PROTECT THE VERY ONES WHO SCORN YOU?
PLEASE, ENLIGHTEN ME!!

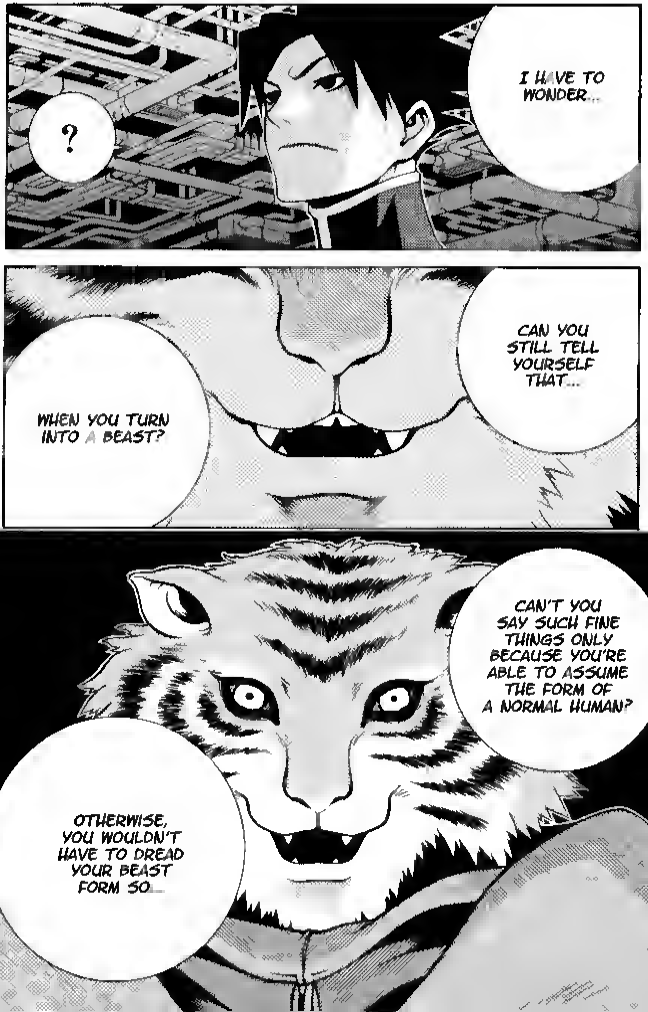
OF COURSE, THERE WAS A TIME WHEN I HONESTLY BELIEVED...
I'VE THOUGHT ABOUT THAT, TOO
THAT EVERY-ONE ELSE WAS THE ENEMY
!!
THEN WHY?!
I REALIZED...
THAT I WAS "WRONG"
INSTEAD OF EVERYONE ELSE BEING MY ENEMIES, I REALIZED THAT I WAS MY OWN WORST ENEMY
BECAUSE I DIDN'T TRY TO ACCEPT THE REST OF THE WORLD
WHAAAT?!
YOURSELF, YOU SAY?!


CLEARLY, THAT'S WHERE YOU AND I DIFFER,
CARTIEL
YOU CALL YOURSELF A "HERETIC", AN UNACCEPTED ONE.
BUT DID YOU EVER FIGHT TO BECOME ACCEPTED? OR DID YOU TURN YOUR BACK AND RUN AWAY?

THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN BECOME HUMAN.
HAVING RUN AWAY FROM YOURSELF,
AND THUS YOU REMAIN UNABLE TO GRASP ANYTHING

NO MATTER WHO YOU SUCK UP TO IN THIS WORLD,
YOU'RE STILL YOURSELF! DON'T YOU SEE THAT, CARTIEL?!

YOU MEAN TO SAY YOU DON'T SUCK UP TO ANYONE?!
I'M DIFFERENT!
I'VE FOUGHT IN ORDER TO ACCEPT MYSELF
AND I'LL KEEP FIGHTING TILL I DIE
FOR THIS WORLD
AND FOR MYSELF!


I HAVE TO WONDER...
?
CAN YOU STILL TELL YOURSELF THAT...
WHEN YOU TURN INTO A BEAST?
CAN'T YOU SAY SUCH FINE THINGS ONLY BECAUSE YOU'RE ABLE TO ASSUME THE FORM OF A NORMAL HUMAN?
OTHERWISE, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TO DREAD YOUR BEAST FORM SO...

AFTER ALL, FIGHTING IS EVERYTHING!!
BEYOND THAT, I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY OTHER PATH TO FINDING MYSELF
I WON'T ARGUE THAT
BA
"THROWING CLOAK"
IT'S NOT NEARLY AS FUN IF YOU WON'T TURN INTO A BEAST
STILL, IF YOU FORSAKE YOUR BEAST FORM
I'LL GIVE YOU A CHANCE
HAVE AT ME,
LEROY SCHWART-ZER!

SCRAPE
SUDDEN MOVEMENT

BOOM

SHUUUUUU
!?
RID
RID
RID
WHAT THE..?!
SIZZLE

YOU REALLY AREN'T TURNING INTO A BEAST.
ARE YOU TRULY...
LEROY SCHWARTZER?!

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IS THAT REALLY...
THE BEST YOU CAN DO?!
!!
SWOOSH
TAW
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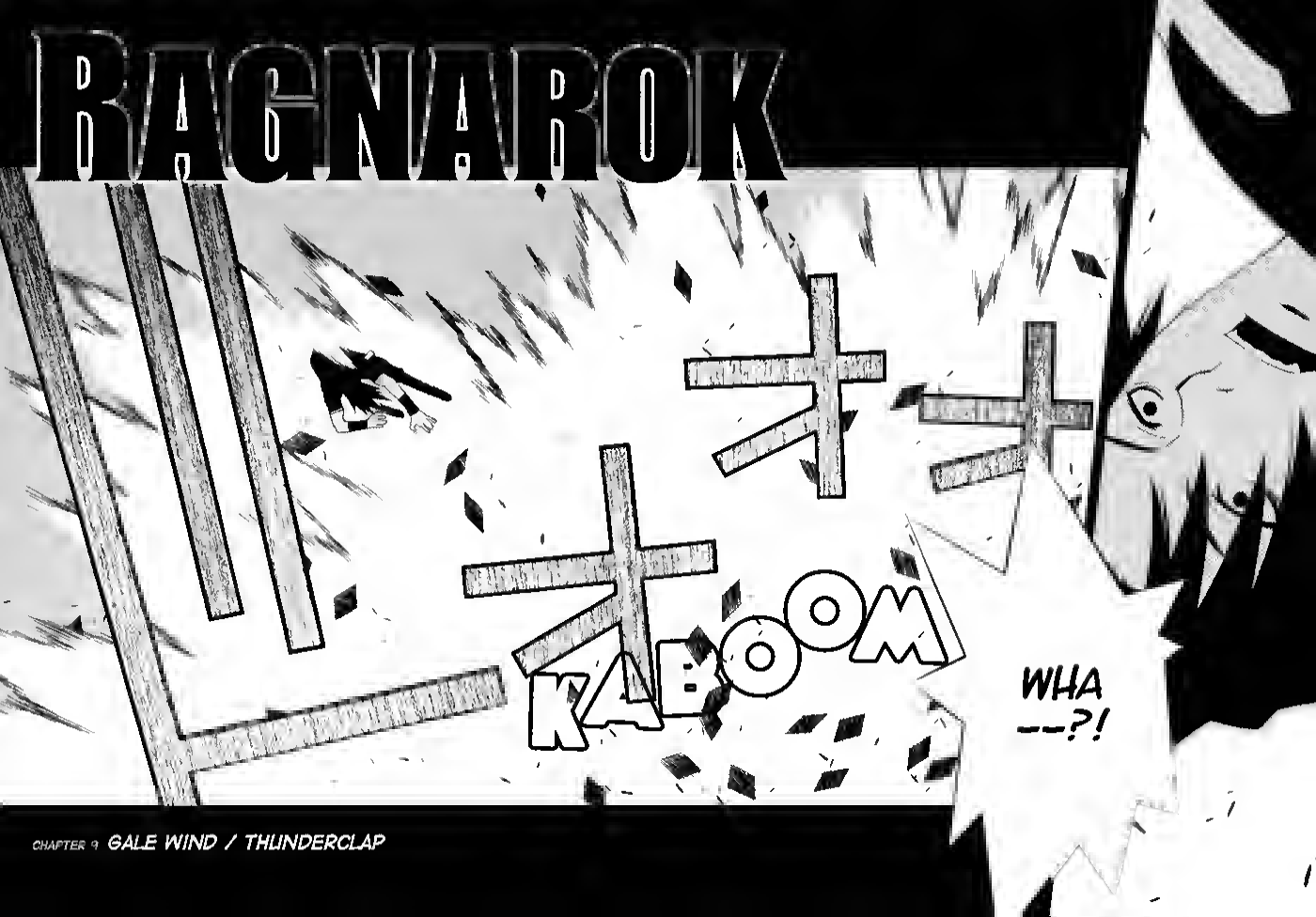


CHAPTER 9 GALE WIND / THUNDERCLAP

HUFF
THIS GUY'S...
PRETTY STRONG.

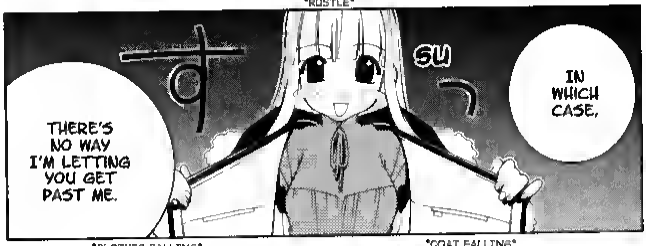
WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU LOOKING AT?!
OH! I WASN'T...
WOAH!
!?
I BRING WORD OF INTRUDERS DOWN BY THE LOBBY
INTRUDERS?! HOW MANY?!
WELL... APPARENTLY THERE'S REALLY ONLY ONE...
.....
GANAN!!
I'M LEAVING THIS TO YOU!
OKAY

URGHH!!
YAAARGH!!
...WHO ARE YOU?

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING HERE?
.....
WELL, WELL...
I COULD USE SOMEONE WHO KNOWS WHAT'S GOING ON
?
ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?!
WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?!

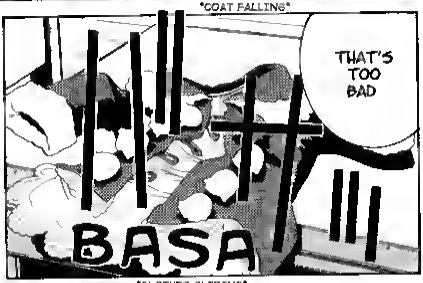
I THOUGHT I'D
RETURN THIS TO ITS RIGHTFUL OWNER
HMPH
!!
YOU'RE A FRIEND OF SCHWARTZER'S?!
SOMETHING LIKE THAT

RUSTLE

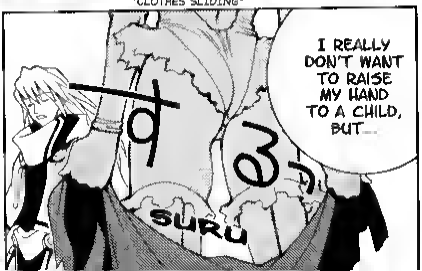


CLOTHES FALLING

COAT FALLING



CLOTHES SLIDING



KYU
DON'T WORRY!
SKREE
EVEN IF YOU RAISE YOUR HAND TO ME,
NOT ONCE, IN A MILLION TRIES, WILL YOU BE ABLE TO HIT ME
MAYBE
IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE SERIOUS ABOUT THIS...

GOTO
FINE BY ME
CLUNK
?
I HAVEN'T USED THIS SHAPE IN A WHILE.
COULD YOU GIVE ME A MINUTE TO GET USED TO IT?
ZAN
ALRIGHT, BRING IT ON!!

……

THAT CAN'T BE ALL YOU'VE GOT, CAN IT?
SO... WHAT NOW?
SCRAPE
!?
DON

HYU
HYU
HYU
"WHACK"
DOGA
!!
ZOOM..
"ZOOM"

NO EFFECT WHATSOEVER?
HYU
スダ
SUDA
BOTH BLOWS,
WERE PRETTY FORMIDABLE...
UMPH, YOU WANTED TO KNOW WHAT YOU ARE?
ANY WAY YOU LOOK AT IT, YOU'RE A DARK ONE...

WHAT'S WRONG SCHWARTZER?
KOKI
KOKI
IS THAT ALL YOU'VE GOT?
THEN IT'S MY TURN!

GUESS I HAVE NO CHOICE
SU
HEH
FAST MOVEMENT
?
!?
SCHWART-ZEEERR?!

FOOM
WH--
WHAT!?

VERY WELL...
HMPH...
FINALLY SERIOUS, EH?!
WE GET STARTED
IT'S ABOUT TIME,
DAN

...AHH

"ZOOM"

"SPLAT"

DON
DON
DON

DON
HUH..
DON
I CANT..
SEE ANYTHING AT ALL!!
DON

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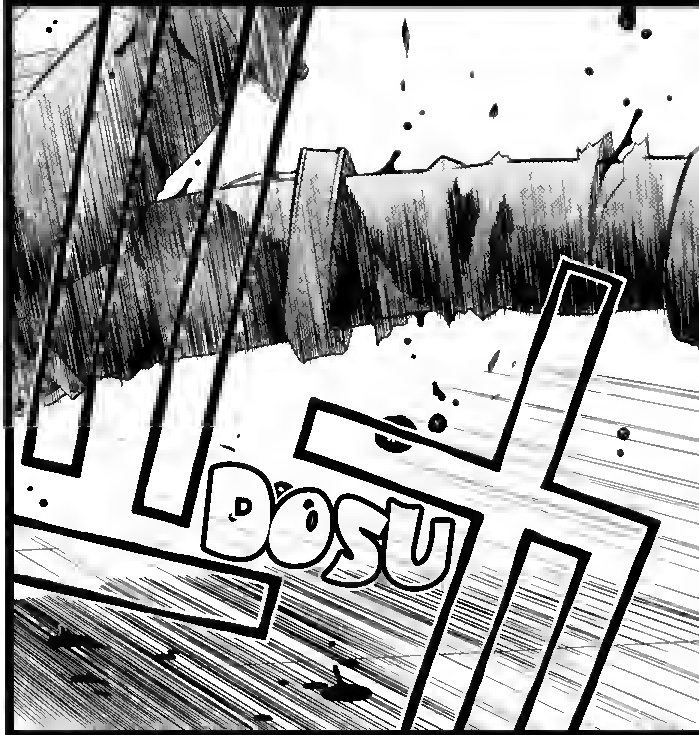

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GO
ZA ZA ZAAAA

UHHN...
TWITCH..

DON

GA
GA
GA
GA
"FLOOR CRACKING"

WHAT...
WHAT AN INCREDIBLE FIGHT...
PARA PARA...
PARA PARA...

JUST AS I WOULD HAVE EXPECTED FROM LORD CARTIEL!
PARA PARA
PARA PARA

THIS SHOWS THE DISPARITY BETWEEN THE TWO OF US!
DA DA

SLIT
BAN
HOW LONG WILL YOU KEEP AVOIDING MY ATTACKS?!
TAP
WHAT ON EARTH?! SHE'S SHOOTING SOMETHING...
AND IT WOULD APPEAR THAT SHE'S ACTUALLY MORE SKILLED THAN THAT STEEL STRINGER.

.....
I GUESS I UNDER-ESTIMATED YOUR STRENGTH
I'LL HAVE TO PUT A LITTLE MORE EFFORT INTO THIS
CAN I TAKE THAT AS A COMPLIMENT?
WELL, I'LL TORMENT YOU GENEROUSLY TO SHOW YOU MY THANKS

LEROY?! CAN YOU HEAR ME?!
BE A LITTLE WHILE BEFORE I CAN ASSIMILATE.
HEHEHE...
IT'S GOING TO...
LERO--- ?!
DOKUN
SHOCKED HEARTBEAT
YOU'RE TAKING MASSIVE DAMAGE.
LEROY... WHAT'S HAPPENING?!

LEROY'S CONSCIOUS-NESS IS FADING!!
THIS IS BAD! AT THIS RATE, "IT" WILL...
"IT" WILL WAKE UP!!
THAT'S THE ONE THING YOU WANT TO AVOID...
NOW WHAT WILL YOU DO?!

WHAT'S WRONG, SCHWARTZER?!
THIS CAN'T POSSIBLY BE ALL YOU'VE GOT.
"GRAB"
IF IT'S GOING TO END SO EASILY,
GA
WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO WITH MYSELF?!

GUWAAA
SUPA
!?
UHNNGH?!
YOU HAD THIS MUCH POWER TO SPARE?!
SCH-WARTZER !!

GA
GA
AGH!
ARRGH!!
GA
GA
GA

VUOO
WHA-
?!
CAN

GUNA
GUH!!
MEKI
WHAT ?!
MEKI
!!

SCHWART-
ZER?!
ARE...
ARE YOU
REALLY...
GRIN..

LEROY!!
BIKUN
...ROY
!!

LERO...
LE...
UHN
UHNN
!?
..OY!!
...ROY!!
WOBBLE

DON
LEROY!!

!?
Totter...
AH...
SCH...
SCHWARTZER...

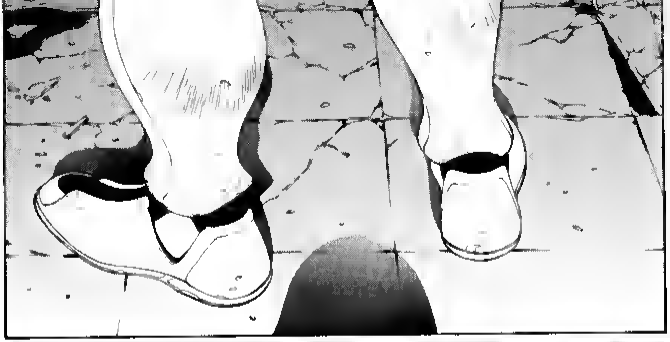
THAT WAS CLOSE..
WHOOO..
SHUUU
.....
?
Wobble..
HEH HEH HEH...
AHAHAHAHA
!!

SHUUUU
THAT'S IT!! THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO SEE!!
I CAUGHT A GLIMPSE OF THE "SPIRIT OF THE BEAST" SLEEPING WITHIN YOU!!
HMPH !
SHUUUU
SORRY, BUT.. YOU WON'T..
BE SEEING THAT EVER AGAIN!!

LEROY SCHWARTZER, EH?

LORD CARTIEL'S
INTEREST IN THIS GUY WAS WELL FOUNDED.

THAT HE COULD CONTINUE TO FIGHT LIKE THAT...
EVEN AFTER TAKING SO MUCH DAMAGE...



!?
WHO'S THERE?!

WHERE'S AILEY?!
ARE YOU AN INTRUDER?!

TELL ME.
MY LITTLE SISTER...
WHERE'S MANA?!

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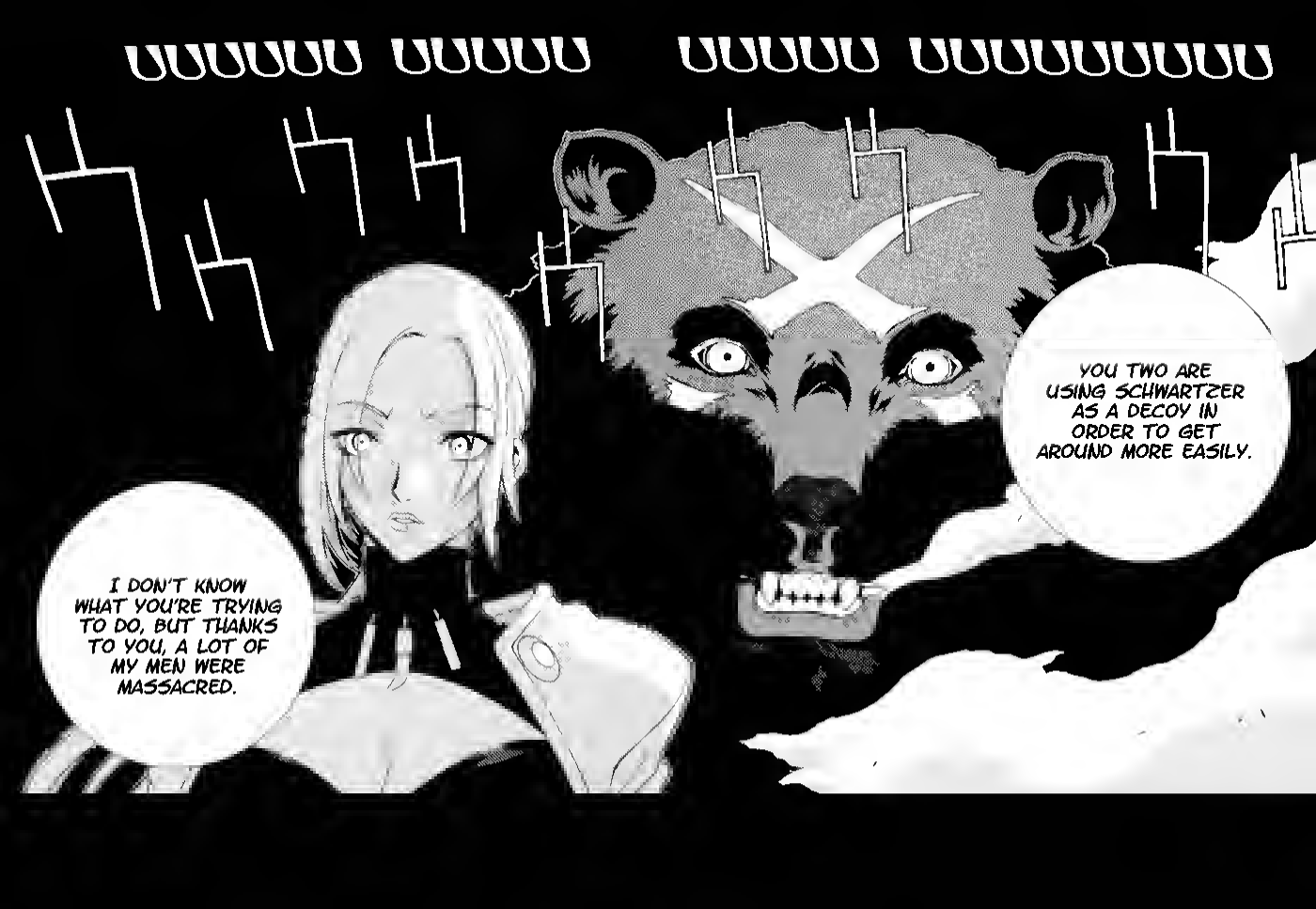
YOUR LITTLE SISTER?!
YOU'D BE WANTING THE WHORE HOUSE THEN
THIS IS THE WRONG PLACE TO ASK
I GUESS YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING
HUH?! WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY?
OH WELL,
DIE.

!!
!?
..NGA?!
GYARGH...?!
TWITCH

DOOO
FEARIEL, HOW ARE YOU DOING?

WE HAVEN'T FOUND ANY LEADS YET, BUT THANKS TO SCHWARTZER,
SHUUUU
WE'VE GOTTEN THIS FAR WITHOUT ENCOUNTERING TOO MANY GUARDS.

I SEE... IT SEEMS THAT THIS WILL TAKE LONGER THAN ANTICIPATED...
ANYWAY, SHE'S NOT DOWN HERE
MANA...
WHERE ARE YOU,
SO THAT'S HOW IT IS
SHUUU
I'LL GO MAKE SURE THERE'S NOWHERE ELSE THEY COULD BE HIDING HER
ALRIGHT, THEN I'M GOING TO...

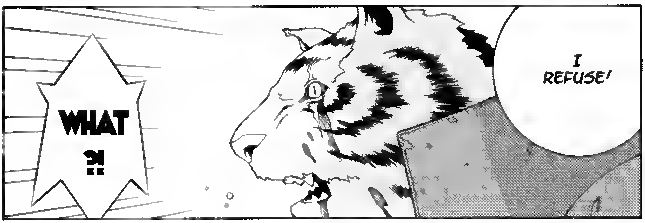

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO, BUT THANKS TO YOU, A LOT OF MY MEN WERE MASSACRED.
YOU TWO ARE USING SCHWARTZER AS A DECOY IN ORDER TO GET AROUND MORE EASILY.

WHA-?!
SHUUUU
RAYCAN SLOPE ?!
HAGA!

ISN'T IT FUNNY, SCHWARTZER?
SHOOOOO
I REMEMBER YOU SAYING THIS...
"YOU CALL YOURSELF A 'HERETIC', AN UNACCEPTED ONE..."
"AND YOU'RE FIGHTING TO ACCEPT IT."

WHY WON'T YOU RELEASE THAT INNER POWER?!
IF THAT'S TRUE FOR YOU,
YOU CERTAINLY HAVE EXTRA-ORDINARY FIGHTING ABILITIES
BUT, THROUGHOUT YOUR LIFE, YOU'VE HAD TO CONFRONT DEATH TIME AND TIME AGAIN
HOW WERE YOU ABLE TO COPE WITH SUCH DANGER AND STILL SURVIVE?!
HAVE YOU RELIED ON YOUR POWER WHEN IT'S CONVENIENT, OTHERWISE JUST BEING YOURSELF?!

SHOW ME YOUR TRUE SELF THAT YOU KEEP BURIED DEEP INSIDE!
WHO YOU ARE NOW MEANS NOTHING TO ME, SCHWARTZER!!


I REFUSE!
WHAT ?!

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A FRIEND YOU CAN USE TO LICK EACH OTHER'S WOUNDS?!
I HAVE NO INTENSION OF JOINING YOU FOR SOMETHING SO STUPID!!

SO AS LORD CARTIEL SAYS, SCHWARTZER!!
!?
WHAT THE HELL?!
WHAT'S LENA DOING HERE?!
UHNN
SCHWARTZER, SHE WAS USING YOU AS A DECOY
THIS WOMAN USED YOU TO DIVERT OUR ATTENTION AWAY FROM CRIMSON DESPAIR—

I SEE!
SCHWARTZER WAS MERELY A SACRIFICED PAWN MEANT TO CUT A PATH FOR HER TO TAKE BACK HER LITTLE SISTER

WHAT A FEARSOME WOMAN...
GRAB
LENA NORTHLIGHT

!?
THIS TIME...
I MAY BE THE ONE TO USE YOU...

GA
WELL, WHAT NOW, SCHWARTZER?!
WILL YOU ABANDON THE WOMAN WHO USED YOU, OR...
...YOU PLAY DIRTY
I'M DISAPPOINTED IN YOU, CARTIEL
I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU SAY
FOR ME, THIS IS JUST A BIG GAMBLE THAT JUST SO HAPPENS TO CONTROL A LIFE!!

EVEN IF MY DEATH MEANT SOMETHING TO THAT MAN,
IT WOULD MAKE NO SENSE WHATSOEVER FOR HIM TO SAVE ME...
IT'S NO GOOD, CARTIEL...
IT WOULD SEEM THAT YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND...
YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND LEROY SCHWARTZER AT ALL...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN...?
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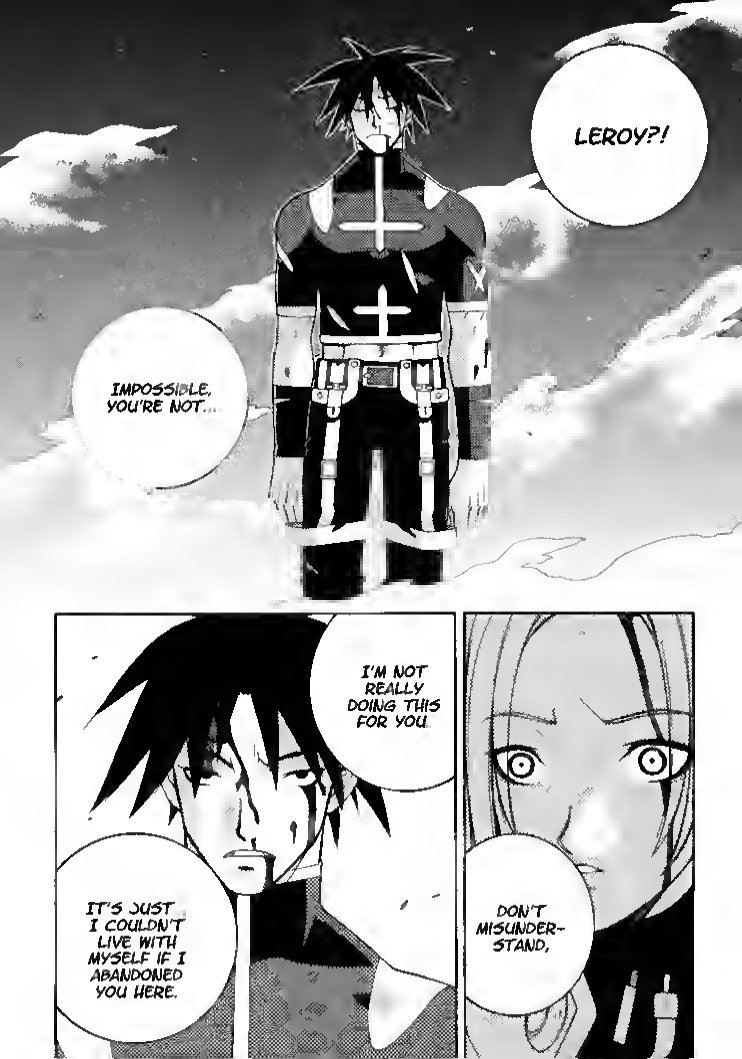
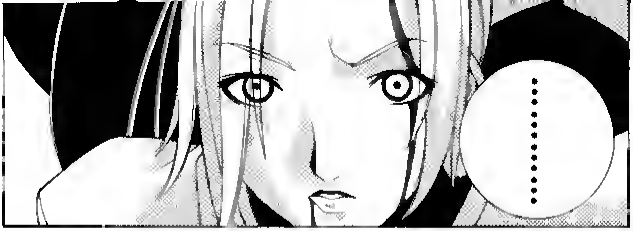

LEROY?!
IMPOSSIBLE, YOU'RE NOT...
I'M NOT REALLY DOING THIS FOR YOU.
IT'S JUST I COULDN'T LIVE WITH MYSELF IF I ABANDONED YOU HERE.
DON'T MISUNDER-STAND,

.....
THAT'S IT, SCHWARTZER
GANAN,
YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO
SUBMIT TO THIS!!
YOU MAY NOT FIGHT BACK!!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FORGIVE ME...
SCHWARTZER-DONO

GA
!!
LEROY!!
HAVE YOU FAILED?!

EVERYTHING WILL GO PAST THAT POINT OF NO RETURN...
IF I DON'T HURRY...
YOU FOOL.
DA DA DA
DA DA DA
!?
BECAUSE YOU WEREN'T PAYING ATTENTION...

I SEE.
THESE INVISIBLE, SOUNDLESS THINGS YOU'RE ATTACKING ME WITH ARE ACTUALLY...
TRANSPARENT SPHERES?
"GLASS BALLS"?
HOW
HOW THE HELL?!

.....
WHY AREN'T YOU DEAD?!
YOU HAD HOLES BLASTED THROUGH YOUR WHOLE BODY...
KYU
THE HELL ARE YOU...?!
JUST WHAT...
THERE'S NO TIME LEFT...
HELP ME, AILEY...

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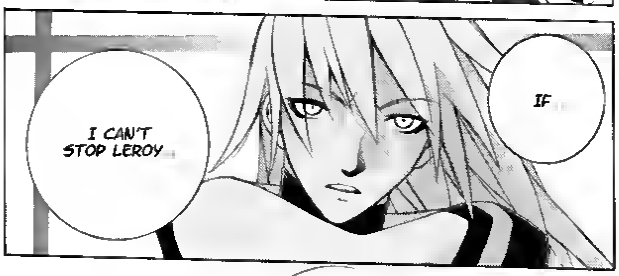
"HELP ME, AILEY"?!
AND IF I REFUSE?!


IF
I CAN'T STOP LEROY

ALL OF YOU, INCLUDING CARTIEL, ARE GOING TO DIE.
!?

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CHAPTER 12 DEMON

WITH AS LITTLE DAMAGE AS THAT, HE'LL START RECOVERING SOON

B BUT IF I DO THAT,
SHUU
HUUU
HE'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO...

GANAN,
CRUSH BOTH OF HIS ELBOWS NEXT!!

DON'T GET ME WRONG,
I'M SAYING THIS FOR YOUR SAKE

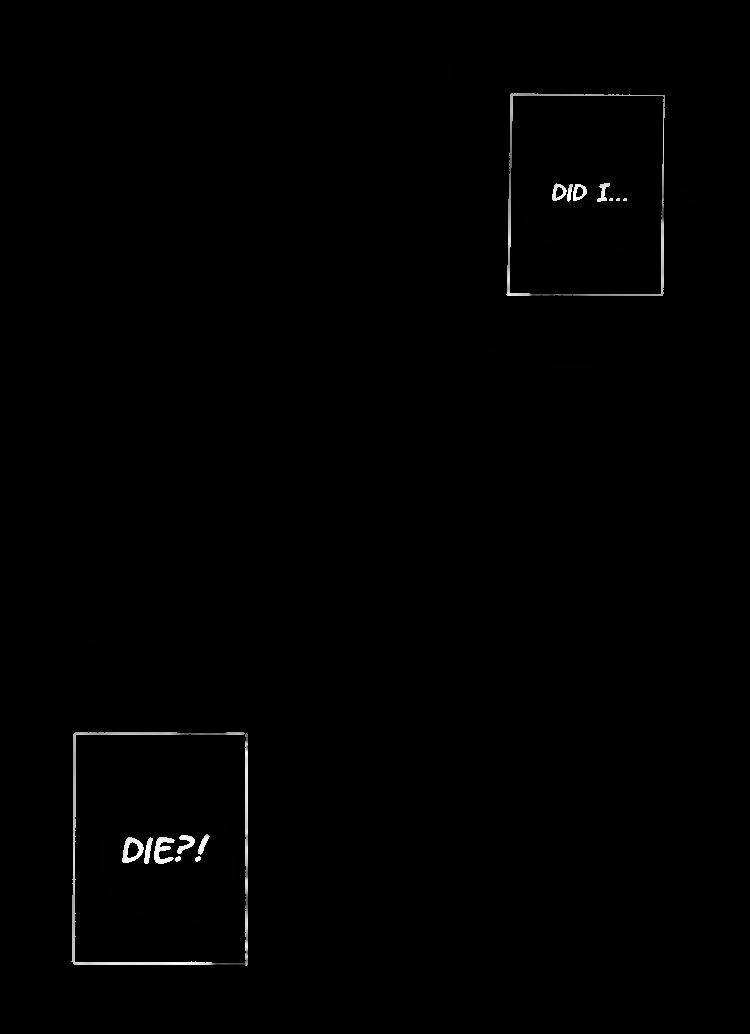
DON'T HOLD THIS AGAINST ME, SCHWARTZER
.....
DON
DO
GOOD...
NOW BOTH KNEES...

NO CHANGE ?
PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
NOT ENOUGH DAMAGE YET?

IN THAT CASE,
CRUSH HIS HEAD!!

BUT, LORD CARTIEL?!
IT'S ALRIGHT, DON'T WORRY.

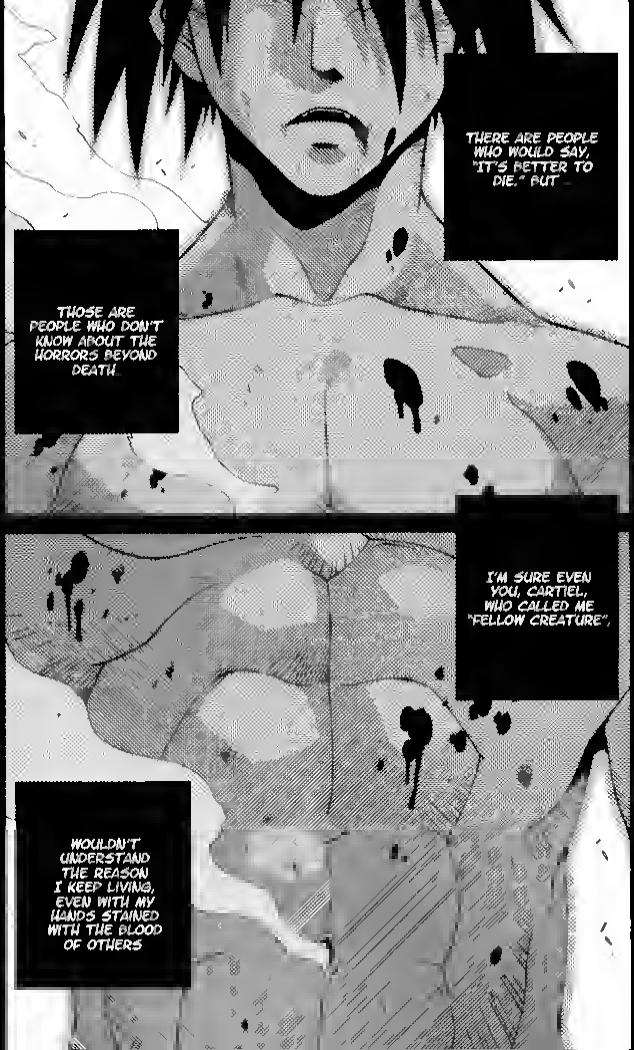
HE'S SURE TO START REACTING!!
YOU'VE DONE THIS MUCH DAMAGE
.....
FORGIVE ME
DO


DID I...
DIE?!

NO, THAT'S NOT RIGHT...
IT'S ALWAYS
IT'S ALWAYS BEEN THIS WAY...

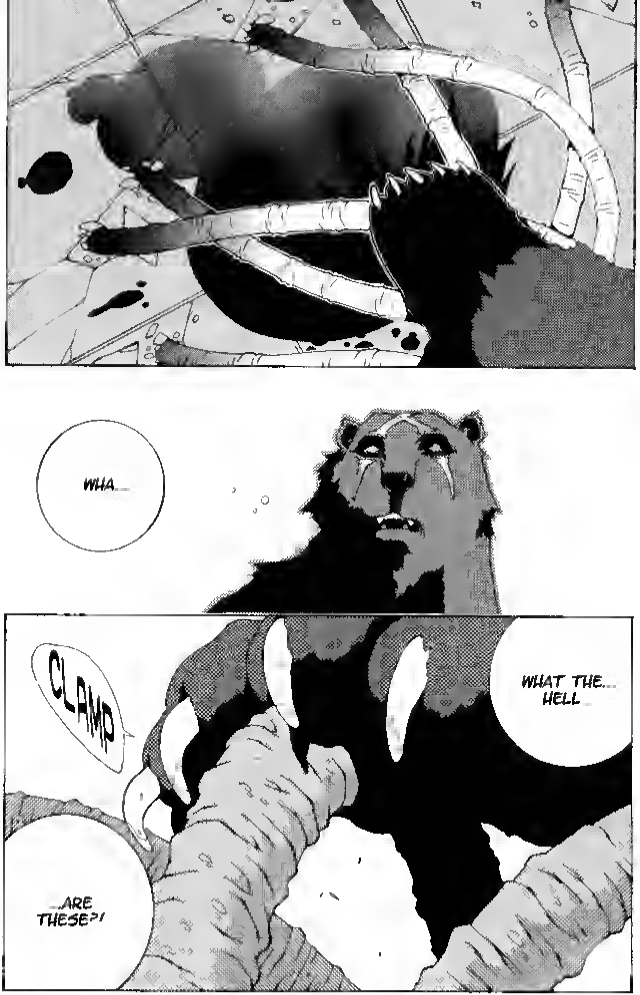
JUST WHEN I THINK I'M DEAD,
MY EYES ALWAYS OPEN
AND SPREADING BEFORE THOSE EYES,
IS ALWAYS THE SAME SCENE.

THE PRICE PAID
FOR MY EXISTANCE
IS THERE, SPREADING
AROUND ME.

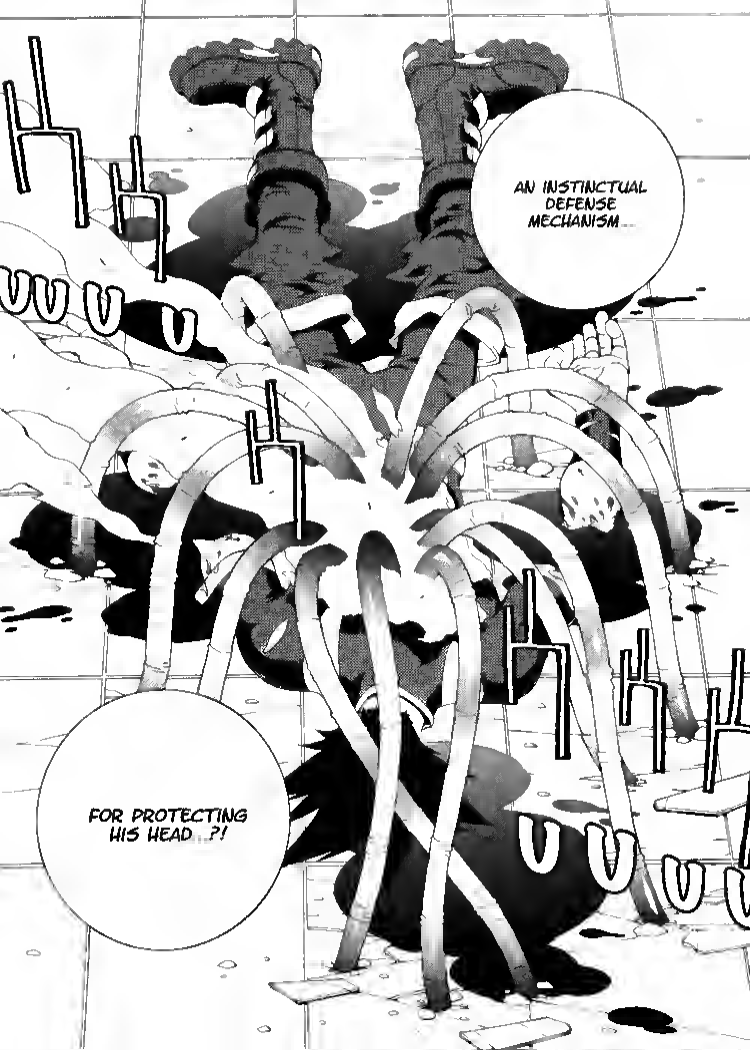

THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO WOULD SAY, "IT'S BETTER TO DIE." BUT
THOSE ARE PEOPLE WHO DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE HORRORS BEYOND DEATH
I'M SURE EVEN YOU, CARTIEL, WHO CALLED ME "FELLOW CREATURE",
WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND THE REASON I KEEP LIVING, EVEN WITH MY HANDS STAINED WITH THE BLOOD OF OTHERS

CARTIEL... FOR NOT UNDERSTANDING THAT...
WILL YOU TAKE RESPONSIBILITY?

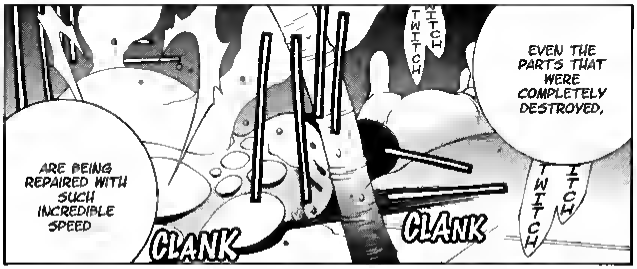
THIS HAS BEEN DISAPPOINTING...
LO--
LORD CARTIEL!!
!?
LEROY?!

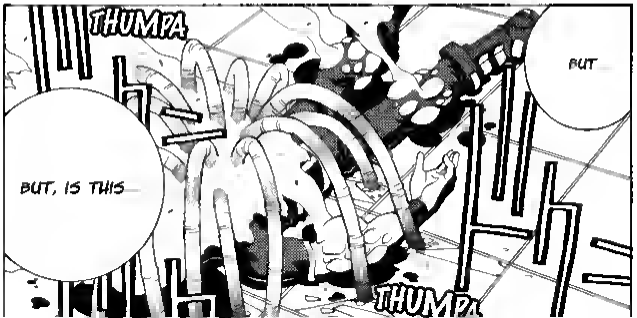

WHA...
CLAMP
...ARE THESE?!
WHAT THE... HELL...

...ARE PROTRUDING FROM HIS BACK.
SOME SORT OF IRON BARS...
GRRRRR

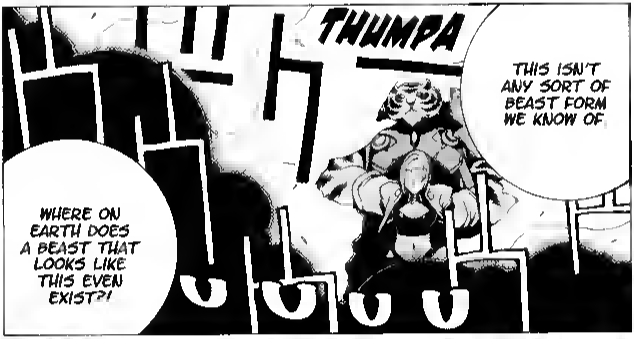

AN INSTINCTUAL DEFENSE MECHANISM...
FOR PROTECTING HIS HEAD...?!

SHOOO
THIS MAN CAN STILL REGENERATE?!
EVEN FROM SUCH A DAMAGED STATE,
AMAZING!!


ARE BEING REPAIRED WITH SUCH INCREDIBLE SPEED
CLANK
CLANK
EVEN THE PARTS THAT WERE COMPLETELY DESTROYED,
TWITCH
TWITCH
TWITCH


THUMPA
BUT, IS THIS
BUT
THUMP

THUMPA
HIS "BEAST FORM"?!
COULD ONE ACTUALLY CALL THIS HIS "BEAST FORM"?!
SHUUU

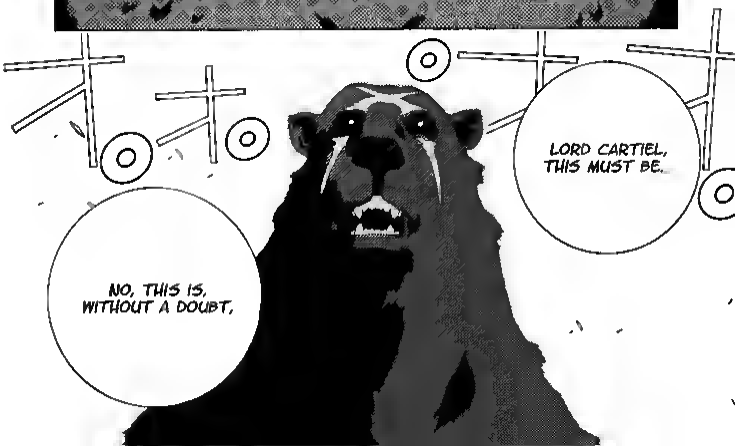

THUMPA
THIS ISN'T ANY SORT OF BEAST FORM WE KNOW OF
WHERE ON EARTH DOES A BEAST THAT LOOKS LIKE THIS EVEN EXIST?!

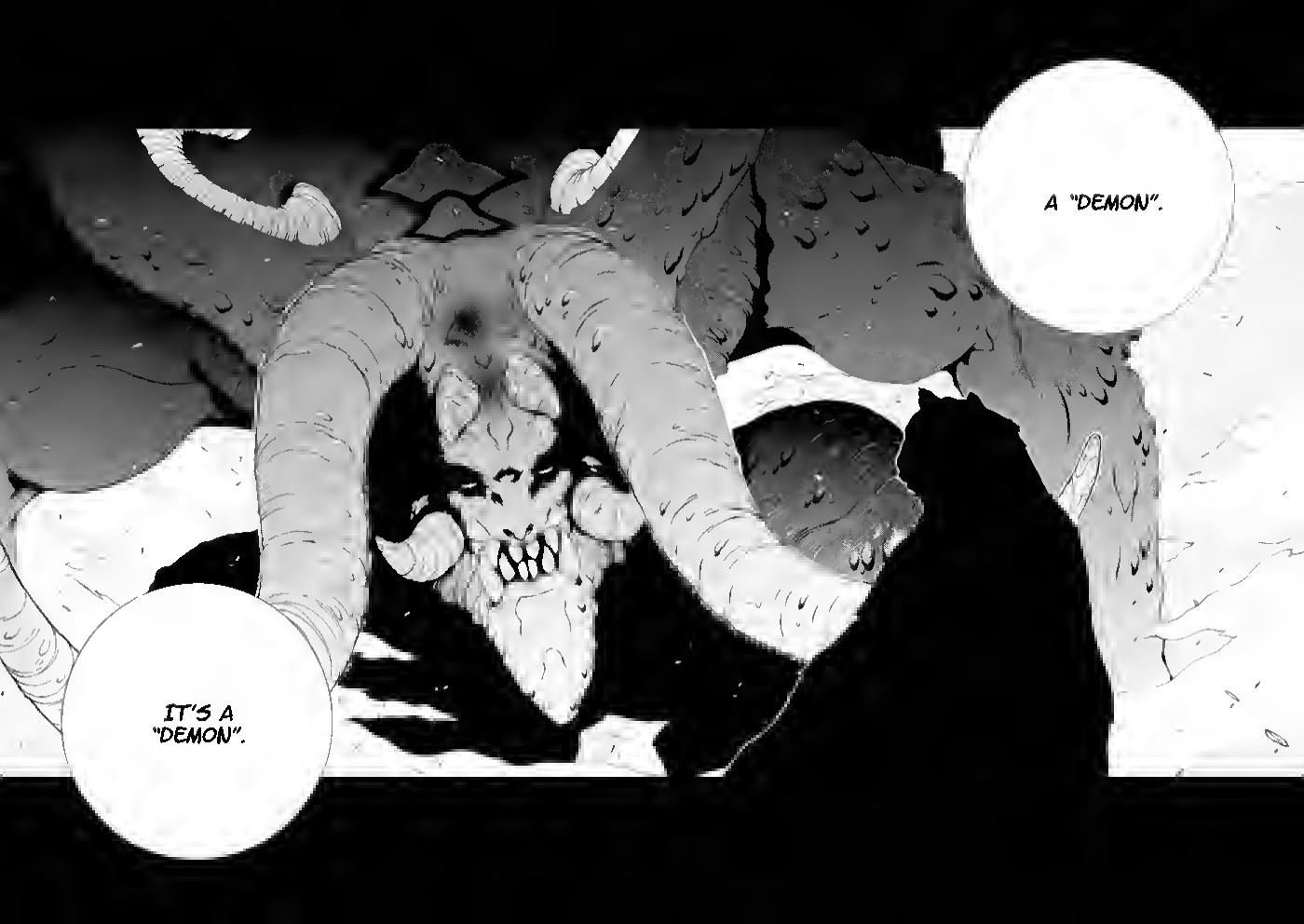
JUST WHAT...
IS THIS GUY?!

DA
DA
DON'T GET ME WRONG!!
DA
I DON'T REALLY THINK THAT LORD CARTIEL WILL LOSE TO THAT GUY!!
BUT IF HE DID YEAH...
I MEAN, THERE'S ALWAYS SOME UNCERT-AINTY

IT'S JUST THAT IT'S BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY!!
OKAY?! GOT IT?! HELLO... ARE YOU EVEN LISTENING?!
LEROY!!
.....
PLEASE HOLD ON!!

"BEAST FORM"... HIS "BEAST FORM", YOU SAY?
NO, YOU'RE WRONG!!


LORD CARTIEL, THIS MUST BE...
NO, THIS IS, WITHOUT A DOUBT,


A "DEMON".
IT'S A "DEMON".

SU
OHH...

AMAZING!!
THIS IS...
THIS IS
THAT
SCHWARTZER?!

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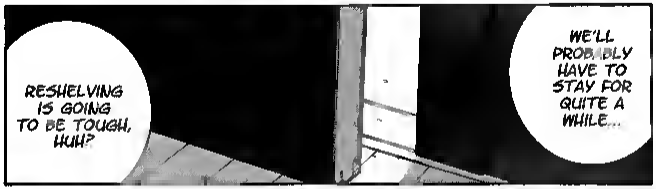
ALPASS CENTRAL LIBRARY
CHIEF LIBRARIAN!!
ARE YOU WORRIED AS WELL, SIR?

OH! YOU GUYS, TOO?
WELL, THAT EARTHQUAKE WAS QUITE SOMETHING
YEAH, I'M SURE TONS OF BOOKS FELL FROM THE SHELVES.


WE'LL PROBABLY HAVE TO STAY FOR QUITE A WHILE...
RESHELVING IS GOING TO BE TOUGH, HUH?

WHA...
WHAT IS...?!

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AHH!
!!
PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
.....
WHA...

PANT
WHAT HAPPENED TO ME?!
PANT
PANT
I CAN'T REMEMBER ..
PANT
WHAT ...
PANT
WHAT THE HELL...
PANT
PANT
PANT
WHO COULD HAVE ...
PANT
...DONE THIS TO ME?!
!
...
!?

UHRR
...
RRAAOOOHH!!

AHAA HA...
HAHA HA...
HAA...
HAA...
THAT'S.. THAT'S RIGHT..
THAT'S IT..
THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED.
I REMEMBER
I REMEMBER
CURSE IT..

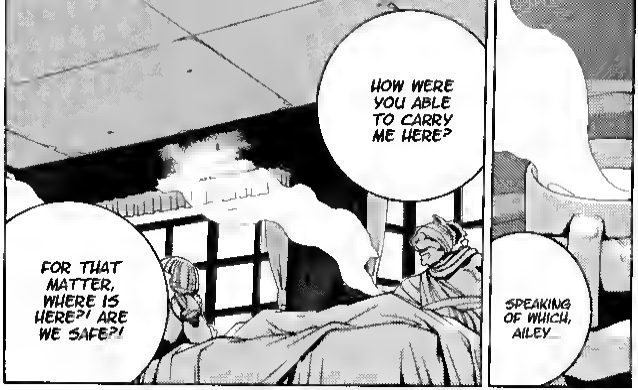
I GUESS I BROUGHT IT ON MYSELF...
AFTER ALL, IN AN INSTANT...
SNSH
THAT'S IT...
IT WASN'T A DREAM, WAS IT...
MY NEGLECTFUL OVERCONFI-DENCE...
ENDED UP WIPING AWAY ALL MY HARD WORK
=DOOR OPENING=
GACHA
!?
I'M...
ALL ALONE AGAIN

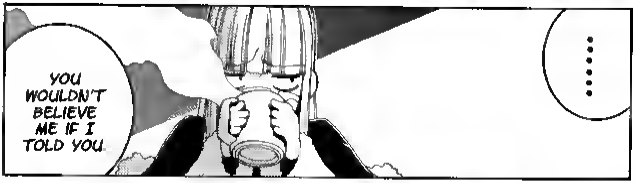
CARTIEL!
CA...
!!
AI...
DOKA
CARTIEL!!
AILEY?!

I THOUGHT
I THOUGHT YOU WOULDN'T EVER WAKE UP

I SEE.
THE ORGANI-ZATION WAS WIPED OUT...?

WHAT OF SCHWART-ZER AND HIS FRIENDS?
I DON'T KNOW THE ENTIRE ROOM BECAME ENVELOPED IN A BRIGHT LIGHT...
AND I DON'T REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED AFTER THAT...
OH WELL,
I CAN JUST AS EASILY START A NEW ONE


HOW WERE YOU ABLE TO CARRY ME HERE?
FOR THAT MATTER, WHERE IS HERE?! ARE WE SAFE?!
SPEAKING OF WHICH, AILEY...


YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE ME IF I TOLD YOU.
.....

JUST TELL ME!
WHAT HAPPENED?!
.....
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!
WELL, I STILL DON'T BELIEVE IT MYSELF.

IT LOOKED LIKE WE'D BE CRUSHED WHEN THE BUILDING COLLAPSED.
AND THAT'S WHEN...
IT WAS LITERALLY AN INFERNO INSIDE WHEN SCHWARTZER LOST CONTROL...
NO ONE LEFT COULD STOP IT.
THIS ONE WOLFIE APPEARED.
A REALLY BIG, SILVERY WOLFIE...
AND IT CARRIED ME TO THIS BED?!
SEE, YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME, DO YOU?
A WOLF...
...YOU SAY?!

SURVIVING A SITUATION LIKE THAT...
COMPARED TO THAT, WHAT YOU DESCRIBE ISN'T SO FARFETCHED
I BELIEVE YOU...
CARTIEL...
.....
YOU MEAN, YOU DIDN'T RENT THEM?
THEN THIS WOLF GUY RENTED AND PAID FOR THEM?
HEH
POINT!
OH, YEAH! KEEP LISTENING, CARTIEL
GET SERIOUS CARTIEL! SHEEESH!
NOW DON'T BE SHOCKED, BUT THE RENTER IS
WHO DO YOU THINK RENTED THESE ROOMS?

THAT LENA NORTHLIGHT CHICK
"LENA THE COLDBLOODED."
SO, HE'S STILL ALIVE
!?
I SEE,
THAT'S HOW THINGS ARE?
I SUPPOSE SHE THINKS THAT IF I DIE, SHE WON'T FIND WHERE HER LITTLE SISTER IS
WHO'S THERE?!
HUH?
I FOUND YOU, CARTIEL
I DIDN'T THINK YOU WOULD COME THIS FAR—

SCHARVIELT ..?!
THAT VOICE..
I WISH TO QUICKLY CONCLUDE THE TASK I WAS SET.
INDULGE ME BY LISTENING TO WHAT I HAVE TO SAY
I AM QUITE BUSY.
CA...
CARTIEL !!
DON

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WHAT'S WRONG, LENA?!
CRAP! WHEN THE HELL..?!
THINGS HAVE GONE BAD, FENRIEL!!
MEET ME HERE RIGHT AWAY!!
BUT WHAT ABOUT SCH-WARTZER?!
!?
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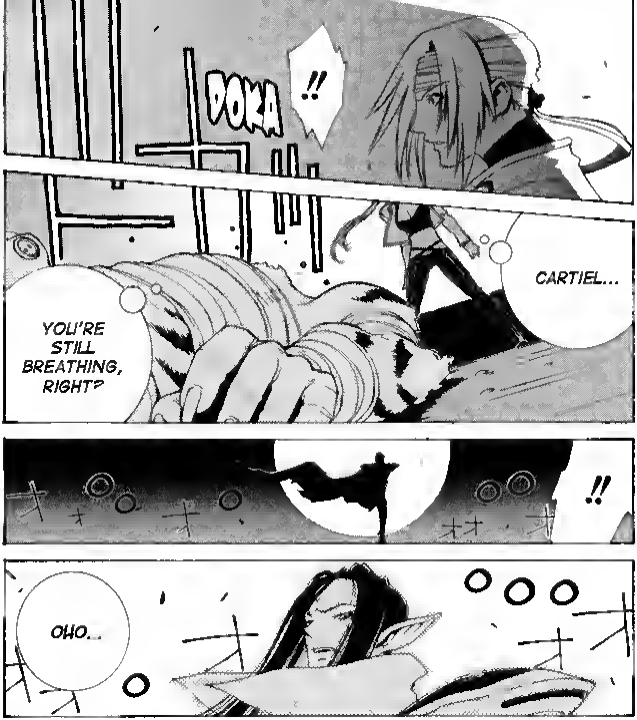

DOKA
!!
CARTIEL...
YOU'RE STILL BREATHING, RIGHT?
!!
OHO...
THE WOMAN FROM THE LIBRARY?
YOU WERE ABLE TO SURVIVE THAT EXPLOSION?

LENA, WHAT'S GOING ON?!
ARE YOU OKAY?! HEY, ANSWER ME!!

LENA?!

I SEE.
IT SEEMS THE WORST WAS AVERTED
YOU'RE AWAKE?
IT DIDN'T GET QUITE THAT BAD,
BUT IT WAS STILL INCREDIBLY WILD

BE GRATEFUL TO THEM.
IF LENA AND CARTIEL HADN'T HELPED, THIS TOWN WOULD PROBABLY BE IN RUINS BY NOW.
THIS TIME, I COULDN'T CALM YOU DOWN ON MY OWN.
WHAT...
HAPPENED?
SO...
GATAN
WHEN I FINALLY ARRIVED,
YOU HAD ALREADY LOST YOUR SENSE OF SELF.

GIVEN THE SITUATION, WE COULDN'T AVOID
CAUSING A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF DAMAGE TO BRING YOU BACK
DESPITE OUR SUCCESS, WE CAUSED A HUGE EXPLOSION THAT DESTROYED THE INSIDE OF THE LIBRARY
I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO LENA, CARTIEL OR THE OTHERS AFTER THAT
IT SEEMS EVEN I WAS SOMEWHAT AFFECTED BY THE SHOCKS
I CAN'T CHANGE BACK FOR A WHILE

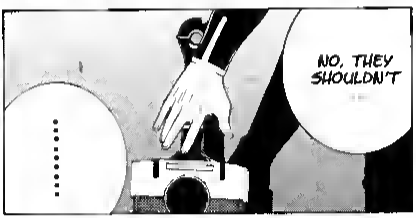
BONK
I'VE BEEN SCARED OF MYSELF
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME
THIS IS
AS LONG AS I'M IN THIS FORM I CAN MANAGE TO CONTROL MY EXTRAORDINARY POWER AND VIOLENT TENDENCIES
BUT WHEN I'M LIKE THAT, I CAN'T DO ANYTHING

I FEEL WITHIN MY ENTIRE BODY AN UNCONTROL-ABLE THIRST...
FOR DESTRUCTION AND GENOCIDE CRAWLING UP FROM THE DEPTHS OF MY HEART...
MAYBE IT'S AS CARTIEL SAYS
NO MATTER WHAT I SAY, I TRULY...
SCRATCHS
RESENT THIS BODY, THIS WORLD
WHO LOOKED DOWN ON ME
I WANT REVENGE ON ALL THE HUMANS
.....
GAD

WHY DON'T YOU GIVE IN?
THEN...
SHUTTING
PATAN
LIKE YOU TOLD CARTIEL, ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS TURN YOUR BACK ON THE WORLD
THINGS WOULD NO DOUBT BE EASIER

IF YOU REJECT ALL BUT YOURSELF AND
.....
BUILD A WALL AROUND YOURSELF, YOU WON'T HAVE TO SUFFER LIKE THAT AGAIN
I CAN'T UNDERSTAND YOUR PAIN, NOR CAN I EMPATHIZE
BUT IF THAT'S REALLY WHAT YOU WANT TO DO, THEN DO IT!
SO I CAN'T TELL YOU NOT TO RUN AWAY.
YOU HAVE THAT CHOICE.
GIRI_
STEETH GRINDING
IF IT'S SOMETHING YOU WERE MEANT TO KNOW, YOU'LL UNDERSTAND IT EVENTUALLY
BUT ARE YOU REALLY THE TYPE TO GIVE INTO YOUR OWN HEART?
FOR NOW, DON'T WE HAVE A JOB TO DO?
I DON'T THINK I WOULD'VE CHOSEN SUCH A PITIFUL PARTNER

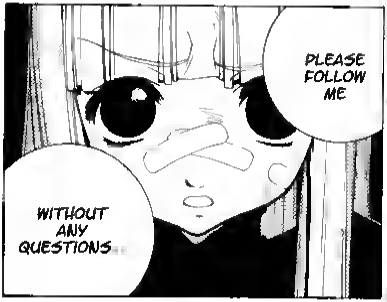
GISHI
I'M GLAD YOU UNDERSTAND.
I UNDERSTAND, "PARTNER".
AREN'T YOU A LITTLE CHATTERBOX TODAY?
HEH
WHO'S THAT?
DOES ANYONE KNOW WE ARE HERE?!
?!


NO, THEY SHOULDN'T
.....

IT'S ME
!!

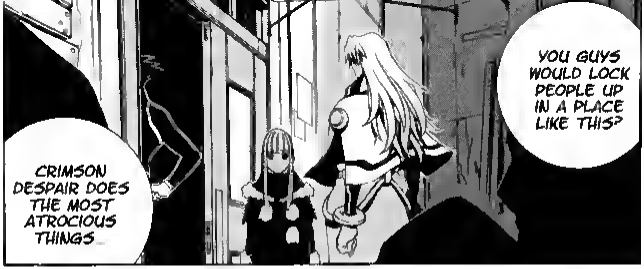
WHAT'S GOING ON?!
DUNNO

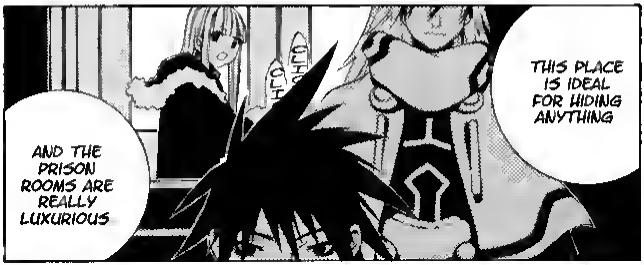
LILY...


PLEASE FOLLOW ME
WITHOUT ANY QUESTIONS...

I'LL RETURN TO YOU
!
WHAT YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR

IN HERE
CLICK
CLICK


YOU GUYS WOULD LOCK PEOPLE UP IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?
CRIMSON DESPAIR DOES THE MOST ATROCIOUS THINGS...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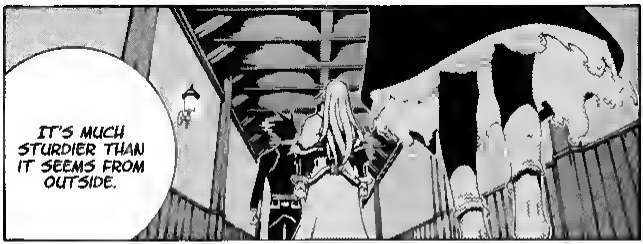
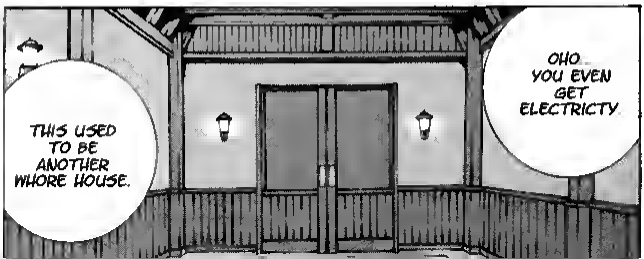
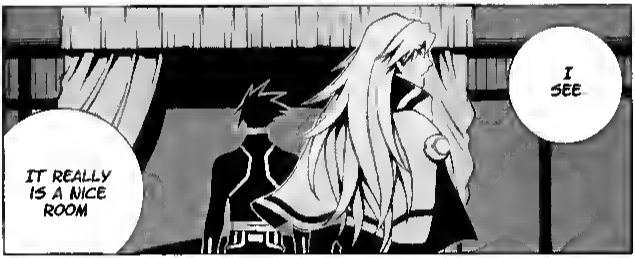
THIS PLACE IS IDEAL FOR HIDING ANYTHING
AND THE PRISON ROOMS ARE REALLY LUXURIOUS


IT'S MUCH STURDIER THAN IT SEEMS FROM OUTSIDE.


OHO... YOU EVEN GET ELECTRICTY
THIS USED TO BE ANOTHER WHORE HOUSE.

GACHA


DOOR OPENING
I SEE
IT REALLY IS A NICE ROOM

LIGHT TURNING ON
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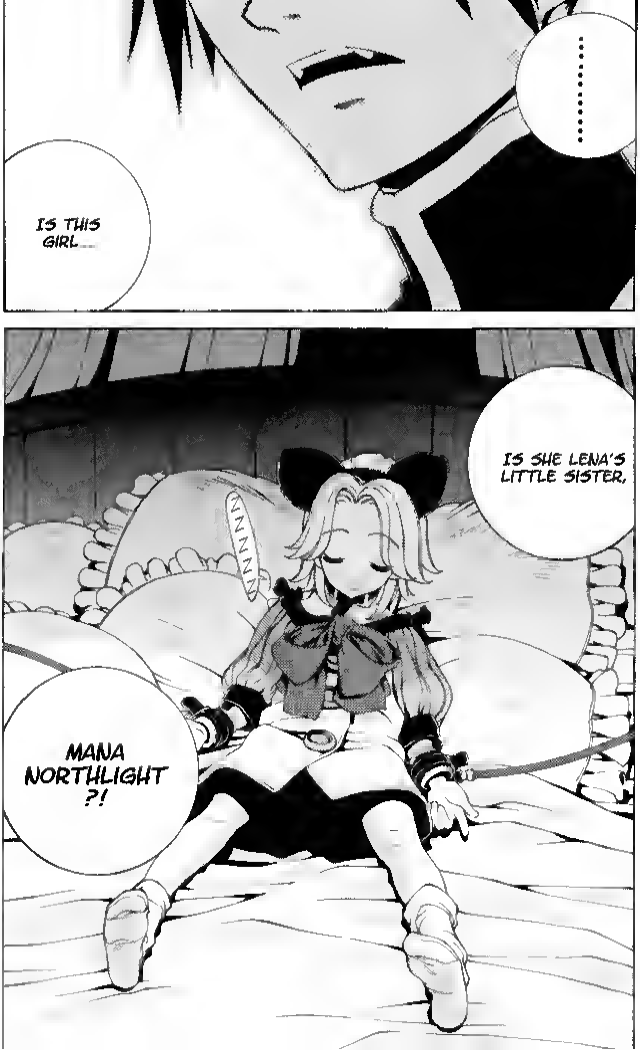

.....
IS THIS GIRL...
IS SHE LENA'S LITTLE SISTER,
ZZZZZZ
MANA NORTHLIGHT ?!

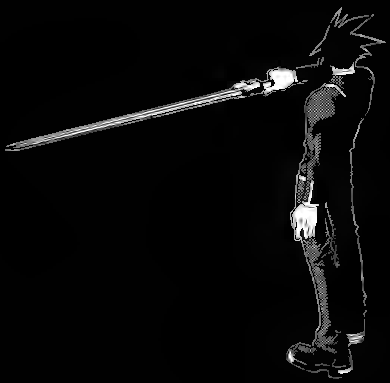
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?!
YOU'RE NOT TRYING TO TRICK US, ARE YOU?
I DON'T KNOW WHETHER SHE STILL IS, THOUGH
!?
I'M NOT LYING TO YOU!
ZZZZZ
I'M POSITIVE THIS GIRL IS THE ONE YOU'VE BEEN SEARCHING FOR
SUPPOSING THIS IS THE REAL MAIA,
YOU HAVE NO REASON TO HAND HER OVER FOR NOTHING
SO ?
GRANTED. NOW THAT THE GUILD IS BROKEN UP, THERE'S NO POINT IN KEEPING HER
.....
WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM US?!

I WANT YOU TO SAVE CARTIEL.
SAVE HIM.
YES, THOUGH HE TOOK A LOT OF DAMAGE.
AND EVEN THOUGH HE COULDN'T BE MOVED YET,
SAVE CARTIEL ?!
HE'S STILL ALIVE?!
WHO TOOK HIM AWAY...
HE WAS SUDDENLY ATTACKED BY A MAN IN BLACK

A DARK ONE...
AND A PRETTY HIGH-RANKING ONE AT THAT...
WHAT WAS THE MAN?!
DO YOU KNOW?!
A DARK ONE?!
WHAT WOULD SOMEONE LIKE THAT WANT WITH CARTIEL...?
!?
WHAT?! THIS FEELING...
I SENSE SOMETHING REALLY INTIMIDATING

WHAT'S WRONG?
.....
?! BY AN ENEMY?!
HAVING THEM HERE PUTS US AT A DIS-ADVANTAGE
.....
THE POWER IN THE HALLWAY HAS BEEN CUT
DELIBE-RATELY
.....
SCRATCH SCRATCH
YOU COULD SAY THAT.
LILY, IS THERE ANOTHER WAY OUT OF HERE?!
THERE'S ONLY THE WAY WE CAME IN

THINKING IS USELESS
WE'LL WORRY ABOUT IT AFTER WE'VE DEFEATED THIS GUY
GRIN
LILY ASIDE,
IT'S TOO RISKY TO MOVE WITH MANA ALONG
NOD
LILY WILL STAY HERE AND PROTECT MANA
THE TWO OF US WILL BE PLENTY
BATAN
WELL THEN...
DOOR CLOSINGS
THERE ISN'T EVEN A SLIVER OF MOONLIGHT I CAN'T SEE...
NO...



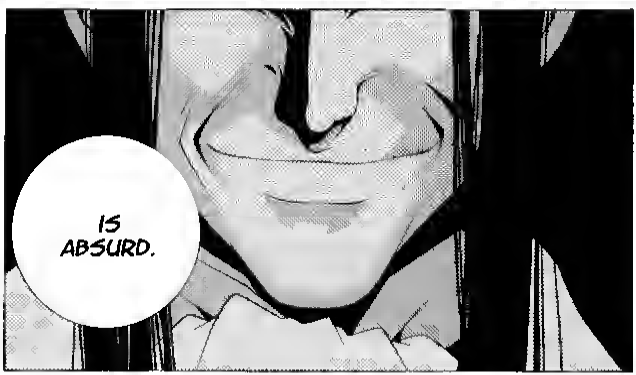
I FEEL AN INTENSE GAZE.
HE'S HERE.

HE'S...
OR RATHER...

HOWEVER SPECTACULARLY PAINTED A WORK OF ART,
ALL BECOME IMPOTENT BEFORE PITCH BLACK DARKNESS

"BLACK" IS THE COLOR OF NIGHT THE COLOR OF DARKNESS
FOR THE LIKES OF YOU TO WEAR BLACK

A SYMBOL OF ABSOLUTE DOMINION.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闇から生まれ闇より現れる《闇の種族》。その得体の知れぬ、人に仇する《闇の種族》から人々を守るために命を張る者達が《傭兵》だ。《疾風迅雷のリロイ》《黒き雷光》の二つ名を持つ男リロイ・シュヴァルツァーもそんな傭兵の一人だが、変わり者の性格が災いし厄介ごとに巻き込まれるばかりだ。今回もカルテイルなる者と戦うことだが
命が遅れた。[illegible]はラグナロク[illegible]後か[illegible]に差した[illegible]
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